

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please add claims 8-11 as follows:

8. (New) An apparatus for playback of recordings and communication with a remote database to obtain information related to the recordings, comprising:
an enclosure;
a recorded signal output device, disposed in said enclosure, to reproduce a recorded signal from a recording;
a controller, disposed in said enclosure and coupled to said recorded signal output device, to control said apparatus;
a display, mounted at a first surface of said enclosure and coupled to said controller, to display information related to said recording;
a memory, disposed in said enclosure and coupled to said controller, to store the information related to said recording for output to said display in response to output of the recorded signal by said recorded signal output device; and
a communication device, disposed in said enclosure and coupled to said controller, to obtain the information related to said recording by establishing communication with the remote database via the Internet, querying the remote database based on information in the recorded signal reproduced from the recording and supplying the information related to said recording from the remote database to said memory.

9. (New) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein establishing communication with the remote database via the Internet comprises use of an Ethernet interface.

10. (New) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein establishing communication with the remote database via the Internet comprises use of a TCP/IP protocol.

11. (New) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein establishing communication with the remote database via the Internet comprises use establishing communication with a local area network that has a connection to the Internet.

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

The original patent contained claims 1-7. Applicants have added claims 8-11 in this Preliminary Amendment.

Support for the use of the term "information related to said recording" in claim 8 can be found in the specification at, at least, column 2, lines 17-18 ("a display to display at least textual data"); and column 4, lines 16-17 ("display 20 may be able to display many more characters and possibly graphics also"). Support for the use of the term "via the Internet" in claim 8 can be found in the specification at, at least, column 2, lines 46-55; and column 4, line 34 through column 5, line 12.

Support for the use of the term "use of an Ethernet interface" in claim 9 can be found in the specification at, at least, column 4, lines 39-40. Support for the use of the term "use of a TCP/IP protocol" in claim 10 can be found in the specification at, at least, column 2, lines 45-55 and column 4, line 45 through column 5, line 12. Support for the use of the term "with a local area network that has a connection to the Internet" in claim 11 can be found in the specification at, at least, column 4, line 66 through column 5, line 12.